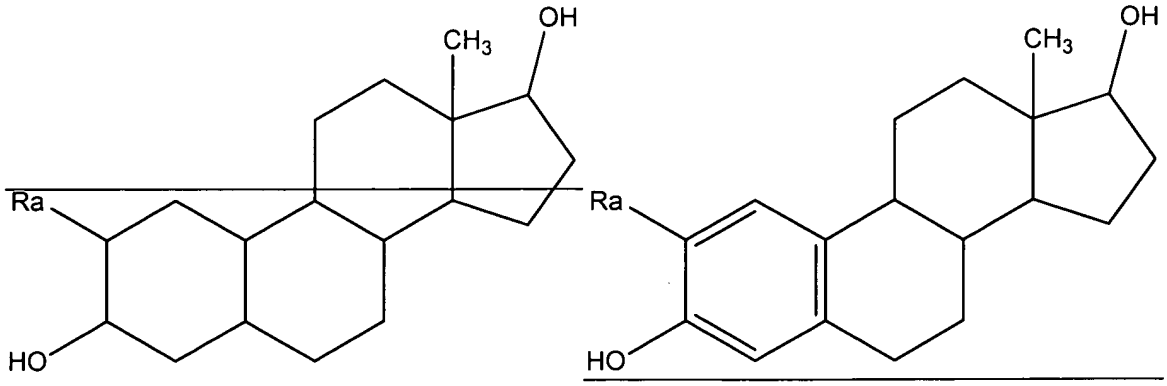
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown:

26. (Currently amended) A method of treating a disease or condition in a human or an animal selected from cancer, atherosclerosis, solid tumors, tumor metastasis, benign tumors, hemangiomas, acoustic neuromas, neurofibromas, trachomas, pyogenic granulomas, abnormal wound healing, inflammatory disorders, immune disorders, Bechet's disease, gout, gouty arthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, diabetic retinopathy, retinopathy of prematurity (retrolental fibroplasic), macular degeneration, corneal graft rejection, neovascular glaucoma, Osler Weber syndrome, blocking ovulation, blocking implantation of a blastula, or blocking menstruation (induce amenorrhea) comprising administering to the human or animal a disease or condition treating amount of a composition comprising a compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is -R_1, -OR_1, -$OCOR_1$, -SR_1, -F, -NHR_2, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

27. (Previously submitted) The method of Claim 26, wherein the composition further comprises an additive selected from an anti-oxidant, a buffer, a bacteriostat, a liquid carrier, an oily solution carrier, a solid carrier, a base, a solute, a suspending agent, a thickening agent, a flavoring agent, a gelatin, glycerin, a binder, a lubricant, an inert diluent, a preservative, a surface active agent, a dispersing agent, a biodegradable polymer, or any combination thereof.

28. (Previously submitted) The method of Claim 26, wherein the compound is present in the composition in an amount effective upon administration in a daily dose, a daily sub-dose, or any appropriate fraction thereof to treat the human or animal to reduce the effects of the condition or disease.

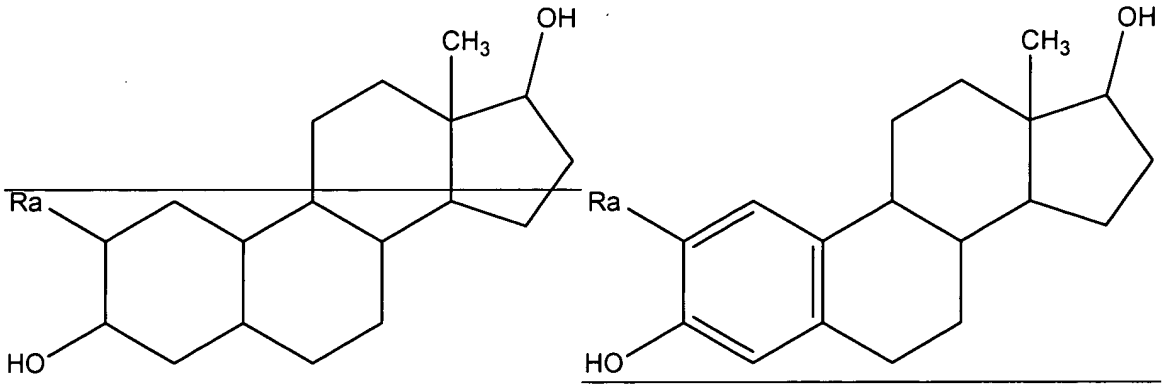
29. (Previously submitted) The method of Claim 26, wherein the amount of the compound administered is approximately 0.01 to approximately 100 mg/kg/day.

30. (Previously submitted) The method of Claim 26, wherein the amount of the compound administered is approximately 0.01 to approximately 1 mg/kg/day.

31. (Previously submitted) The method of Claim 26, wherein the composition is administered in the form of a capsule, a cachet, a tablet, a powder, a granule, a solution, a suspension, an emulsion, an aerosol, a bolus, a lozenge, a pastille, a mouthwash, an ointment, a cream, a gel, a paste, a transdermal patch, a suppository, a spray, liquid drops, a pessary, a tampon, a foam, injection solutions or biodegradable polymers.

32. (Previously submitted) The method of Claim 26, wherein the administration is oral, parenteral, transdermal, topical, intravenous, subcutaneous, intramuscular, intradermal, ophthalmic, intraocular, epidural, intratracheal, sublingual, buccal, rectal, vaginal, or nasal.

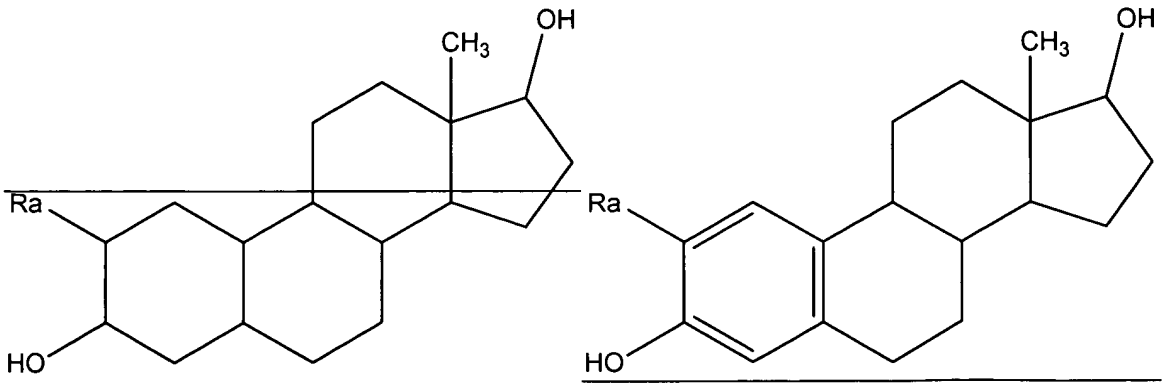
33. (Currently amended) A method of treating cancer in a human or an animal comprising administering to the human or animal an amount of a compound effective to treat the cancer, the compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is -R_1, -OR_1, -$OCOR_1$, -SR_1, -F, -NHR_2, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

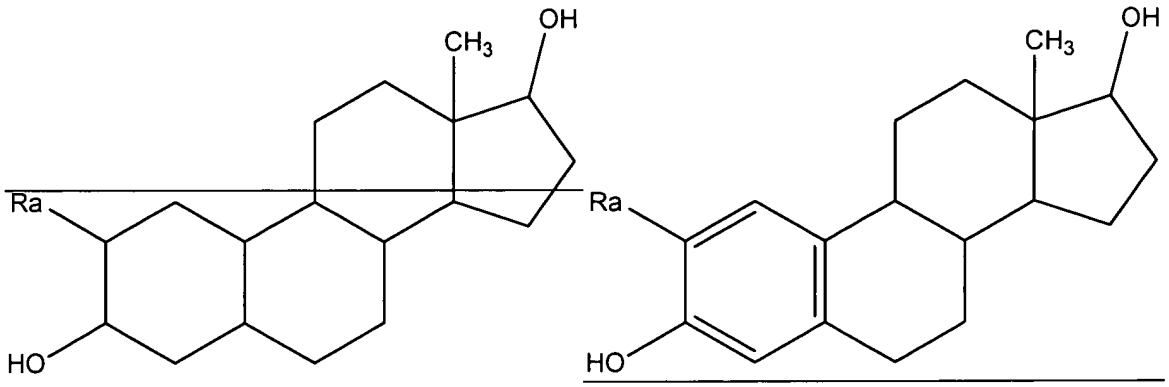
34. (Currently amended) A method of treating a solid tumor in a human or an animal comprising administering to the human or animal an amount of a compound effective to treat the solid tumor, the compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is -R_1, -OR_1, -$OCOR_1$, -SR_1, -F, -NHR_2, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

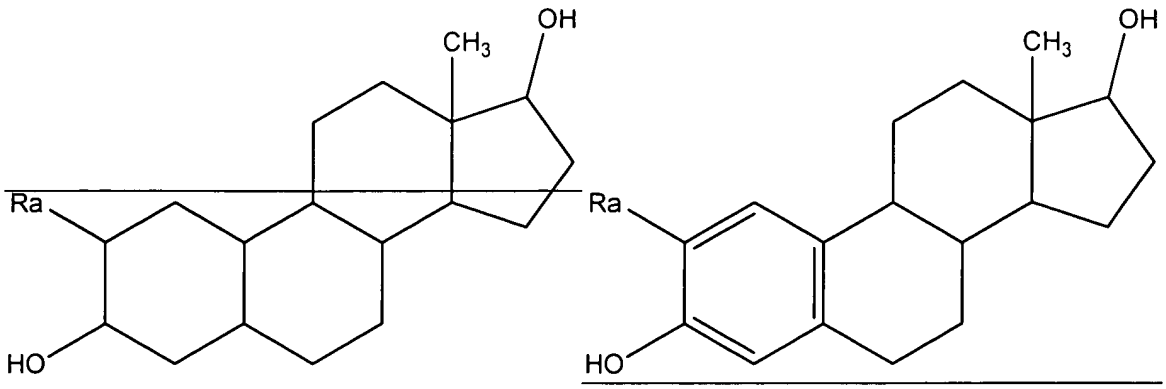
35. (Currently amended) A method of treating tumor metastasis in a human or an animal comprising administering to the human or animal an amount of a compound effective to treat the tumor metastasis, the compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is -R_1, -OR_1, -$OCOR_1$, -SR_1, -F, -NHR_2, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

36. (Currently amended) A method of treating a benign tumor in a human or an animal comprising administering to the human or animal an amount of a compound effective to treat the benign tumor, the compound having the formula:

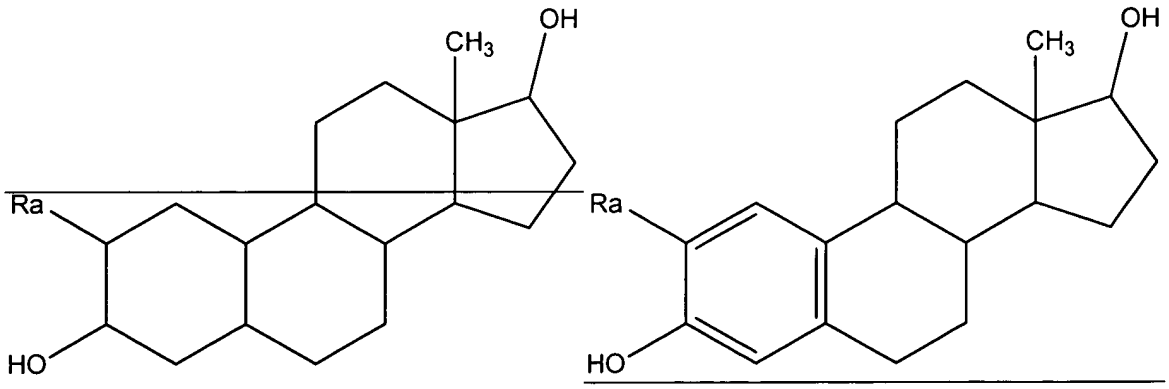


wherein, Ra is -R_1, -OR_1, -$OCOR_1$, -SR_1, -F, -NHR_2, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

37. (Previously submitted) The method of Claim 36, wherein the benign tumor is a hemangioma.

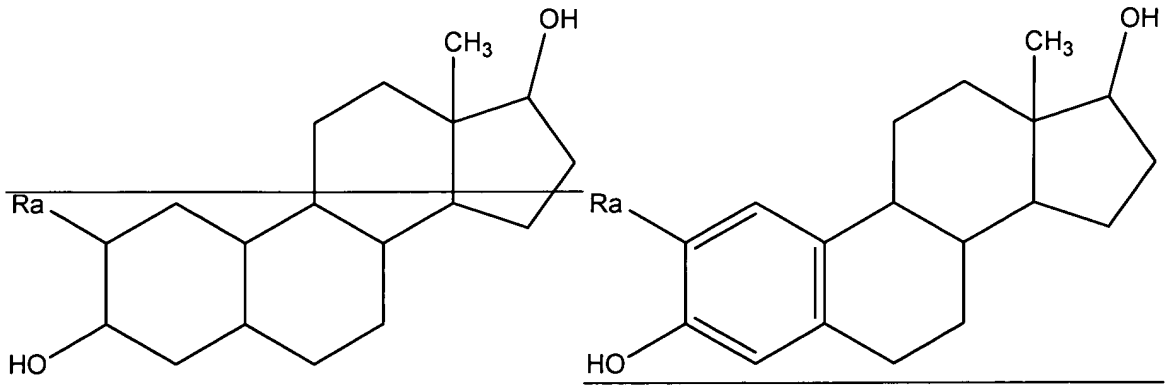
38. (Currently amended) A method of treating atherosclerosis in a human or an animal comprising administering to the human or animal an amount of a compound effective to treat the atherosclerosis, the compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is -R_1, -OR_1, -$OCOR_1$, -SR_1, -F, -NHR_2, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

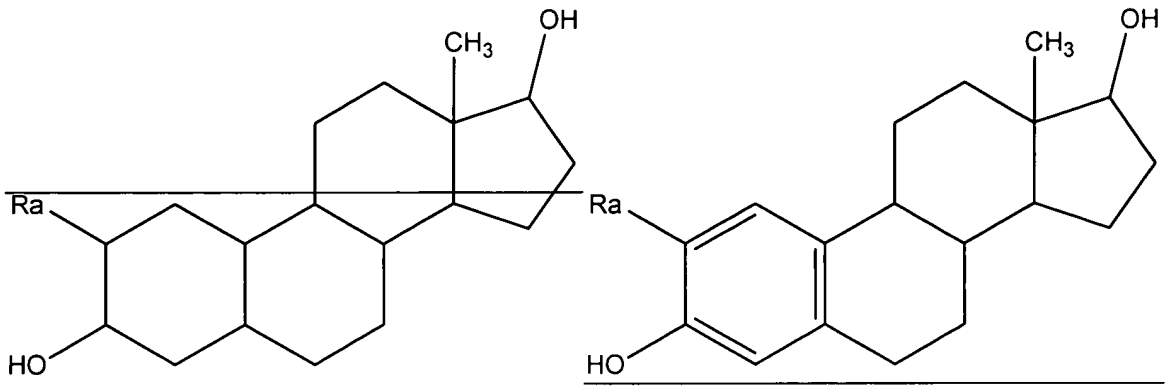
39. (Currently amended) A method of treating psoriasis in a human or an animal comprising administering to the human or animal a an amount of a compound effective to treat the psoriasis, the compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is $-R_1$, $-OR_1$, $-OCOR_1$, $-SR_1$, -F, $-NHR_2$, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

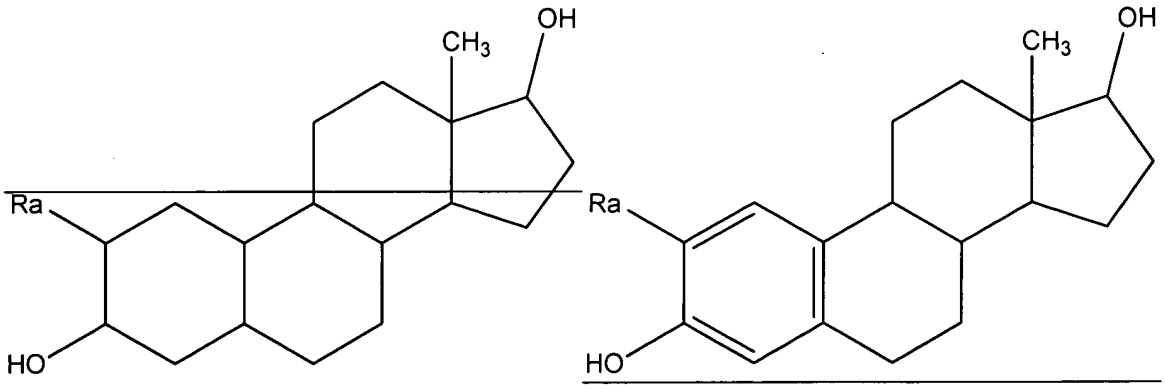
40. (Currently amended) A method of treating inflammatory or immune disorders in a human or an animal comprising administering to the human or animal an amount of a compound effective to treat the inflammatory or immune disorders, the compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is -R_1, -OR_1, -$OCOR_1$, -SR_1, -F, -NHR_2, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

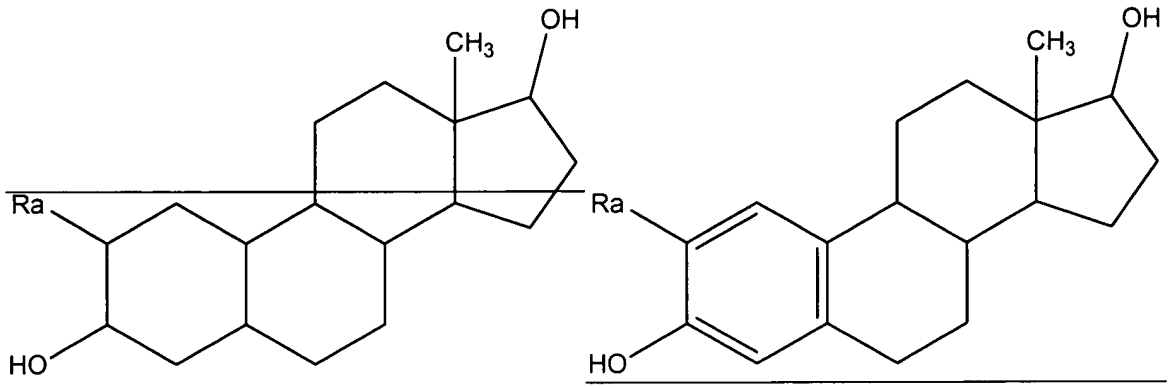
41. (Currently amended) A method of treating rheumatoid arthritis in a human or an animal comprising administering to the human or animal an amount of a compound effective to treat the rheumatoid arthritis, the compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is $-R_1$, $-OR_1$, $-OCOR_1$, $-SR_1$, -F, $-NHR_2$, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

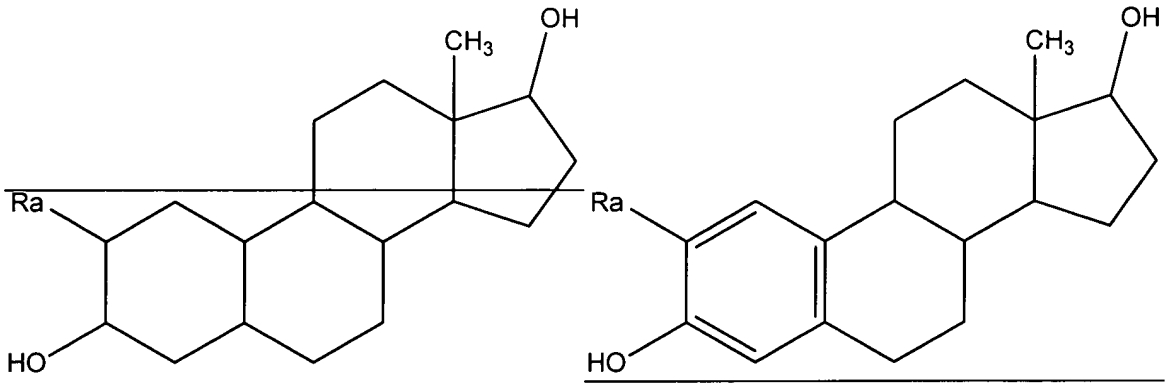
42. (Currently amended) A method of treating an ocular disease in a human or an animal selected from diabetic retinopathy, retinopathy of prematurity (retrolental fibroplastic), macular degeneration, corneal graft rejection, neovascular glaucoma or Osler Weber syndrome comprising administering to the human or animal an amount of a compound effective to treat the ocular disease, the compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is -R_1, -OR_1, -$OCOR_1$, -SR_1, -F, -NHR_2, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

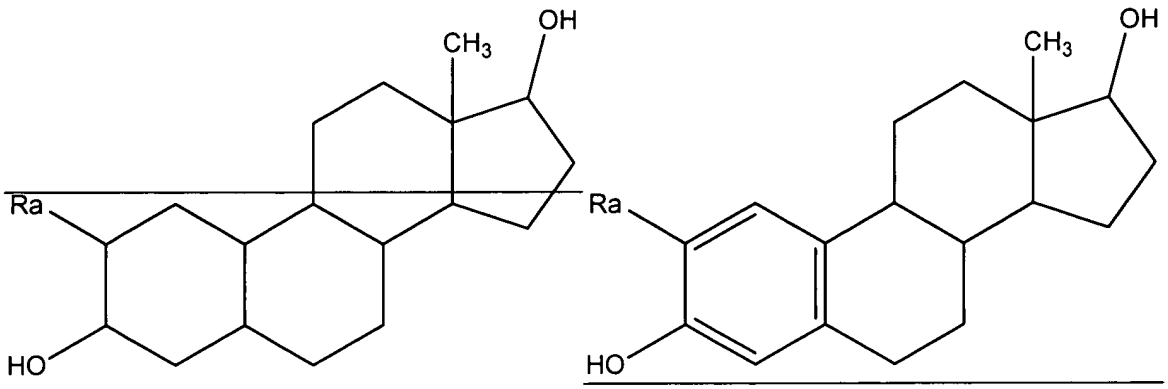
43. (Currently amended) A method of treating a disease or condition in a human or an animal selected from acoustic neuromas, neurofibromas, trachomas, or pyogenic granulomas comprising administering to the human or animal an amount of a compound effective to treat the acoustic neuromas, neurofibromas, trachomas, or pyogenic granulomas, the compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is $-R_1$, $-OR_1$, $-OCOR_1$, $-SR_1$, -F, $-NHR_2$, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

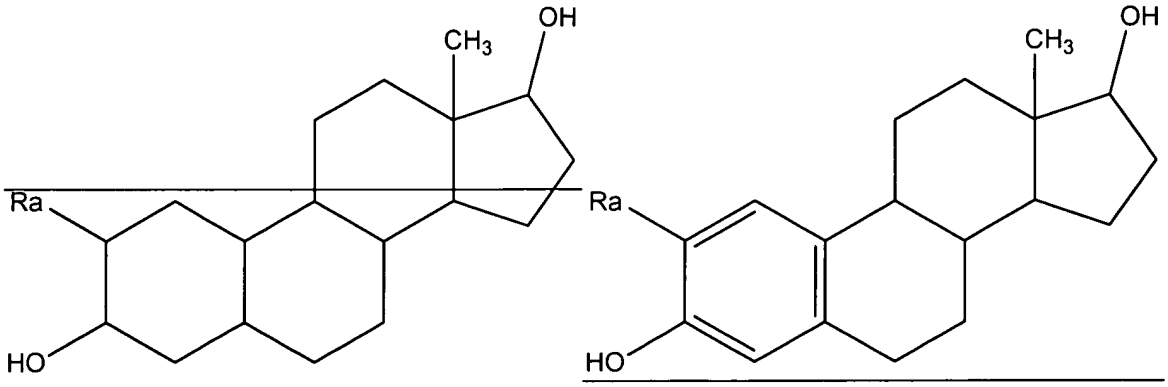
44. (Currently amended) A method of treating a disease or condition in a human or an animal selected from Bechet's disease, gout, or gouty arthritis comprising administering to the human or animal an amount of a compound effective to treat the Bechet's disease, gout, or gouty arthritis, the compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is -R_1, -OR_1, -$OCOR_1$, -SR_1, -F, -NHR_2, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

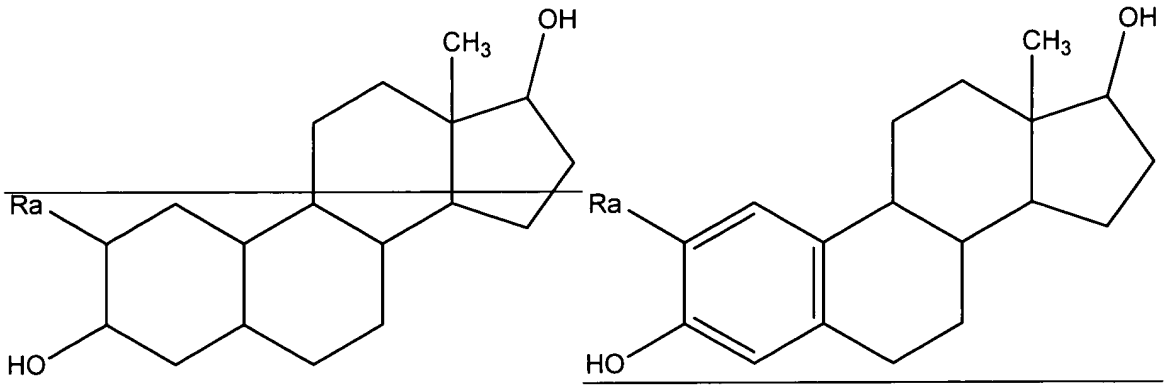
45. (Currently amended) A method of treating abnormal wound healing in a human or an animal comprising administering to the human or animal an amount of a compound effective to treat the abnormal wound healing, the compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is -R_1, -OR_1, -$OCOR_1$, -SR_1, -F, -NHR_2, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.

46. (Currently amended) A method of treating a condition in a human or an animal selected from blocking ovulation, blocking implantation of a blastula or blocking menstruation (induce amenorrhea) comprising administering to the human or animal an amount of a compound effective to treat the condition, the compound having the formula:



wherein, Ra is -R_1, -OR_1, -$OCOR_1$, -SR_1, -F, -NHR_2, -Br, or –I and wherein, in each formula set forth above, each R_1 and R_2 independently is -H, or a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl group of up to 6 carbons; and

provided that Ra is not H.